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BENSON FIELD
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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2002**, upon the application of **MARATHON OIL COMPANY**.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **James Formation, Reservoir B**, in the Benson Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.

1. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize the Marathon Oil Company - Parker No. 1-Alt Well as an alternate unit well for JAMES RB SUH, at the location shown on the plat submitted with the application, or at any legal location within such unit.
2. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize the Marathon Oil Company - Bilbray No. 1-Alt Well as an alternate unit well for JAMES RB SUI, at the location shown on the plat submitted with the application, or at any legal location within such unit.
3. To explicitly find that the proposed alternate unit wells are necessary to drain a portion of the James Formation, Reservoir B, underlying JAMES RB SUH and JAMES RB SUI, respectively, which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well with in such units.
4. To provide that the unit allowable for each of the abovesaid units, may be produced from either the unit wells, the alternate unit wells, or any combination thereof, at the operator's discretion.
5. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The James Formation, Reservoir B, in the Benson Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 496-D, effective April 1, 1980.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Shreveport**, Louisiana or may be found at the following site:

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

PHILIP N. ASPRODITES
COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

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IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION - ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P. O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN FIVE (5)

WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.